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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A computer system to invoke multiple executions of an analytical task in response to receiving a request for analytical information from a front-end software application, wherein the computer system is programmed to:

use the request to identify a first input value;

invoke a first execution of the analytical task by providing the first input value to a first analytical engine;

identify a second input value; and

invoke a second execution of the analytical task by providing both the first and second input values to a second analytical engine.

- 2. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the first analytical engine and the second analytical engine are located externally from the computer system.
- 3. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the first analytical engine and the second analytical engine are the same analytical engine.
- 4. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the request includes the first input value.
- 5. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the request includes the second input value.

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6. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the computer system is programmed to obtain the first input value by invoking an execution of an additional analytical task.

- 7. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the computer system is programmed to obtain the second input value by invoking an execution of an additional analytical task.
- 8. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the computer system is programmed to obtain the second input value from an additional request that is received from the front-end software application.
- 9. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the analytical task is a prediction task, and wherein the first and second analytical engines are prediction engines.
- 10. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the computer system is programmed to use the request to identify the first and second prediction engines.
- 11. (Original) The computer system of claim 10, wherein the computer system is programmed to:

invoke the first execution of the prediction task on the first prediction engine by providing the first input value as input into a first data mining model; and

invoke the second execution of the prediction task on the second prediction engine by providing both the first and second input values as input into a second data mining model.

- 12. (Original) The computer system of claim 11, wherein the first and second data mining models are a common data mining model, and wherein the first and second data mining models are used by the first and second prediction engines during task execution.
- 13. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the computer system is programmed to automatically send output information generated from the first execution of the analytical task back to the front-end software application.

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14. (Original) The computer system of claim 1, wherein the computer system is programmed to automatically send output information generated from the second execution of the analytical

task back to the front-end software application.

15. (Previously presented) A computer-implemented method to invoke multiple executions of an analytical task in response to receiving a request for analytical information from a front-

end software application, the method comprising:

using the request to identify a first input value;

invoking a first execution of the analytical task by providing the first input value to a first analytical engine;

identifying a second input value; and

invoking a second execution of the analytical task by providing both the first and second input values to a second analytical engine.

16-24. (Canceled).

25. (Previously presented) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions contained therein to perform a method, the method comprising:

using the request to identify a first input value;

invoking a first execution of the analytical task by providing the first input value to a first analytical engine;

identifying a second input value; and

invoking a second execution of the analytical task by providing both the first and second input values to a second analytical engine.

26. (Canceled).